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Computers purchased by N.C.E.R.T.

1042. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of computer purchased by NCERT during the last three years alongwith their costs; and

(b) the number of education all courses started during the three years and the number of students benefited there from?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) The NCERT has purchased 21 computers during the last three years i.e. 1989-90 to date, at a total cost of Rs. 11,78,540.00.

(b) The NCERT is a research and training institution. The computers in the NCERT has used for research and training the Teacher - trainers and school teachers. According to the NCERT, during the last three years, the NCERT has organised 62 training programmes it which 157 Trainers/teachers have been trained. The NCERT does not offer educational courses for schools students.

Computerised Reservation facility in U.P.

1043. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether reservation system is being computerised on large scale at various railways stations in the country;

(b) if so, the railway station in Uttar Pradesh where computerised reservation facility is being introduced;

(c) whether there is any emergency reservation facility for general public in the event of death, serious illness and such other emergencies;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the time by which this facility is likely to be introduced by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Passenger Reservation System is being computerised at various railway stations, on year to year basis, depending on availability of funds.

(b) In the state of U.P. computerised reservation facility has so far been introduced at Lucknow, Allahabad, Kanpur and Gorakhpur.

The system is in the process of being introduced at Agra and Varanasi.

(c) to (e). A limited number of berths/seats have already been earmarked on some important trains as Emergency Quota at the Headquarters, Zonal and Divisional levels for complying with requests received from high officials and emergent requests like government duty, bereavements, sickness, etc.

[*English*]

More Trains between Bangalore and Madras

1044. SHRIMATI CHANDRA PRABHA URS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trains running between Bangalore and Madras every day;

(b) whether there is a demand for one